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/***** THIS IS A COMBINED MESSAGE *****/

BODY
SUBJECT: LATIN AMERICA BRIEF [REDACTED] FOR 12 JANUARY 1994.

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- 1. HAITI: ANTI-ARISTIDE SOLUTION LOOMING [REDACTED]
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MILITARY LEADERS PROBABLY WILL MOVE SOON TO INSTALL A GOVERNING COUNCIL TO REPLACE OUSTED PRESIDENT ARISTIDE. [REDACTED]

KEY PLAYERS HAVE BECOME INCREASINGLY HOSTILE TOWARD A UN ROLE IN THE RESOLUTION OF THE POLITICAL CRISIS. RIGHTIST EXTREMISTS HAVE THREATENED TO SEIZE A DELIVERY OF FUEL FOR INTERNATIONAL RELIEF GROUPS THAT IS TO ARRIVE THIS WEEK. [REDACTED] ARMY CHIEF CEDRAS WILL REFUSE TO COOPERATE UNLESS THE UN CEDES CONTROL OF THE FUEL TO HAITIAN AUTHORITIES, ALTHOUGH HE HAS TOLD [REDACTED] THAT THE MILITARY WILL MAINTAIN ORDER. CEDRAS BELIEVES POPULAR OPPOSITION TO THE SHIPMENT IS MOUNTING, [REDACTED]

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THE GENERAL STAFF WILL INSTITUTE A GOVERNING COUNCIL TO PLACATE RESTLESS SOLDIERS, REPORTS. POLICE CHIEF FRANCOIS THINKS SOME RIGHTISTS HAVE GROWN TOO BOLD, RIGHTISTS ARE GRUMBLING TO ALLIES IN THE OFFICER CORPS ABOUT THE CLOUT WIELED BY HARDLINE CHIEF OF STAFF BIAMBY.

COMMENT: MILITARY LEADERS PROBABLY SEE THEIR OPTIONS AS NARROWING. SIGNS OF A COUP, REVOLT, OR RIGHTWING POWER GRAB PROBABLY WOULD SPUR SENIOR OFFICERS TO PUT ASIDE THEIR DIFFERENCES IN FAVOR OF A GOVERNING COUNCIL. SUCH A COUNCIL WOULD SERVE AT THE SUFFERANCE OF THE MILITARY; IT PROBABLY WOULD MOVE SLOWLY TO REVISE THE CONSTITUTION AND SCHEDULE A NEW ELECTION.

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